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DEPARTMENT PLEASE PASS FAA

PARIS FOR FAA

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJ: FAA PROPOSAL FOR ATC COOPERATION

REF : MADRID 3242

1. DURING COURTESY CALL ON DIRECTOR GENERAL AIRPORTS
CESTEROS BY FAA REP PIERRE, CESTEROS BROUGHT UP SUBJECT OF
23 MAY AMENDMENT TO 11 APRIL FAA PROPOSAL FOR ASSISTANCE
IN CONSTRUCTION OF AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL (ATC) NETWORK. HE
STATED THAT MODIFIED PROPOSAL STILL UNDER STUDY, BUT
OFFERED FOLLOWING PRELIMINARY OBSERVATIONS, WHICH FAA MAY
WISH TO CONSIDER:

A) SOME OBSERVERS BELIEVED THAT THE SCOPE OF THE
MODIFIED PROPOSAL MIGHT BE EXCESSIVE TO SPAIN'S NEEDS.
CESTEROS NOTED THAT HE PERSONALLY DID NOT SHARE THAT OPINION.

B) ANOTHER COMMENT RECORDED WAS THAT THE TOTAL COST
OF PERSONNEL WAS HIGH. PIERRE NOTED THAT SALARIES, PER DIEM
AND OTHER COSTS WERE FIXED AND THAT THE ONLY WAY TO REDUCE
TOTAL PERSONNEL COSTS WOULD BE TO REDUCE TOTAL PERSONNEL.

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C) THERE ALSO WAS SOME QUESTION IN THE MINDS OF

READERS OF THE 23 MAY DOCUMENT AS TO WHETHER SALT LAKE CITY REGION WAS THE APPROPRIATE MODEL SINCE THESE READERS THOUGHT THERE WAS MORE TRAFFIC IN SPAIN. COMMENT: DURING MAY VISIT OF FAA WASHINGTON REPS, AIR MINISTRY TECHNICAL SECRETARY GENERAL BALDRICH OBSERVED THAT SALT LAKE CITY REGION PLANNING SEEMED A BIT OUT OF DATE. CESTEROS MAY HAVE HAD THIS OBJECTION IN MIND RATHER THAN WHAT HE REPORTED, SINCE LATTER OBSERVATION SEEMS CONTRADICT OBJECTION A) ABOVE.

2. OVERALL COORDINATION OF AIR MINISTRY'S WORK ON THIS PROPOSAL IS ASSIGNED TO COL. MENDOZA, SUBDIRECTOR GENERAL OF AIRPORTS AND FORMER AIR ATTACHE IN WASHINGTON. PIERRE PLANS MEET WITH LATTER 28 JULY FOR FURTHER DISCUSSIONS. STABLER

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